

Application No.: 09/867,845

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REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein and the remarks set forth in Applicants' response of November 18, 2005, are respectfully requested.

In view of the above, each of the presently pending claims in this application is believed to be in immediate condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the outstanding rejection of the claims and to pass this application to issue. If it is determined that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

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